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JONAS WILLARD AND MINNIE  
CLARENCE HOWE HUMES

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Jonas Willard Jr., was born at Heber, Utah, September 17, 1873, a son of Jonas Willard and Sarah Irinda Smith Humes. Married Minnie Clarence Howe, December 25, 1894. She was the daughter of Joseph Henery and Ruth Ann Smith Howe. Willard died February 16, 1933, and Clarence died November 13, 1949, at Heber City.

They lived in Daniel, Wasatch County from the time they were married until 1912, except for three or four years they lived at

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Park City and Center Creek (1904-1908). They occupied the same house that Clarence's parents had lived in.

In 1912, Willard and Clarence and their family along with 20 other families from Wasatch County and the East, were persuaded to sell their homes and go to settle a place on the reservation in Duchesne County, which they named Fruitland, Utah. They took up homesteads where they were going to cultivate a wonderful soil which was supposed to be completely supplied with irrigation water. The water was not there as promised and the men had to walk for about 20 miles to get it. They lived there for twelve years and worked very hard. There was very little equipment. One disappointment after another followed. Willard became the owner of 160 acres but finally had to sell all but 39 acres.

In the fall of 1924, they gave up on the reservation and moved back to Daniel where he farmed. In their later years they moved to Heber.

Their children are: William Claude, Viola, Willard Ores, Lora Ann, Joseph Keith, Charles Eldred, Sarah Theora.